

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A coating liquid for an intermediate layer of an electrophotographic photoconductor comprising a solvent, a titanium oxide oxide, and 0.3 to 10 parts by weight a polycarboxylic acid polymer based on 100 parts by wt of titanium oxide.
~~in a solvent.~~

Claim 2 (Original): The coating liquid for an intermediate layer of an electrophotographic photoconductor according to claim 1, wherein said polycarboxylic acid polymer is at least one selected from a saturated polycarboxylic acid polymer and an unsaturated polycarboxylic acid polymer.

Claim 3 (Canceled).

Claim 4 (Original): The coating liquid for an intermediate layer of an electrophotographic photoconductor according to claim 1, wherein an acid value of said polycarboxylic acid polymer is 100 to 400 mgKOH/g.

Claim 5 (Original): The coating liquid for an intermediate layer of an electrophotographic photoconductor according to claim 1, wherein said titanium oxide has a purity of 99.0% or higher.

Claim 6 (Original): The coating liquid for an intermediate layer of an electrophotographic photoconductor according to claim 1, further comprising a resin.